1 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
26. Maharashtra	22800	17230	26000	21819	24614	23684
27 Daman & Diu	50	3	50	4	19	14
28 Goa	400	116	500	45	486	43
29. Dadra & Nagar Havely	50	0	50	22	27	24
30. Andhra Pradesh	18400	17729	21500	22542	20767	21168
31. Karnataka	10800	11929	12000	13931	11046	19057
32. Kerala	16250	14024	17000	16553	18685	21667
33. Tamilnadu	19350	12738	20000	16902	21565	19548
34 Lakshadweep	50	17	50	4	48	5
35. Pondicherry	600	294	700	329	722	347
NOT SPECIFIED		897		897		1397
ALL INDIA:	**220000**	**219444**	**250000**	**248264**	**250000**	**266971**

Source RBI
* Provisional

Dividend payment and subsidy

†4012. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the subsidy given on fertilizers is the difference between the production cost of the fertilizers and the rate fixed for fertilizers in order to get 12 per cent dividend on the investment by the industrialists,

(b) if not, the basis for fixation of subsidy amount;

(c) whether it is also a fact that this subsidy has been sanctioned by Government in principle to provide relief to the farmers;

(d) if so, the reasons for not reaching the subsidy amount;

(e) whether there has been some objection to provide direct subsidy to farmers; and

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(f) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): (a) and (b) The subsidy/concession on urea and decontrolled P&K fertilizers is disbursed to manufacturers/ importers to bridge the gap between the normative delivered cost of fertilizers at farmgate level and their Maximum Retail Prices (MRPs) on which they are made available to farmers. The normative delivered cost of fertilizers is arrived at after allowing post tax return of 12% on the net worth to the indigenous manufacturers.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f) In view of above, the subsidy reaches the farmers in the form of subsidized Maximum Retail Prices (MRPs) which are lower than the normative delivered cost of fertilizers at farm gate level. The issue of direct subsidy to farmers is being separately examined alongwith Fertilizers Association of India.

Import of urea

†4013. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that country was self sufficient in meeting the requirement of urea fertilizer by its own resources a few years back;

(b) if so, since when this situation was prevailing;

(c) whether it is a fact that dependence on import has been increasing since the year 2005-06 in order to meet the requirement of urea in the country; and

(d) if so, the fact in this regard and the extent of dependency to import urea during the year 2005-06 and the expected quantity during 2007-08 in order to fulfil the requirement in the country?

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